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## **Governor Musgrove Awards Grant to Quitman County**

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has awarded a \$75,000 grant to Quitman County through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The funds will be utilized to refurbish the water pump and construct an emergency water connection.

"We are working hard to help our communities improve their infrastructure and other services," said Musgrove. "Strong communities build a strong economy and a better way of life for our citizens."

CDBG is a program of the Community Services Division of the Mississippi Development Authority. Among the division's goals are assisting communities in analyzing their strengths and weaknesses, involving their leadership in economic development, planning development strategies, strengthening development organizations, and implementing and financing community projects. The Community Services Division also administers other Economic Development grant and loan programs.